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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A bathing apparatus for an infant or child, said bathing apparatus ~~including~~ comprising:

an open topped container for bathing liquids;

a lid adapted to close said container; and

carry means associated with said container and~~[[/or]]~~ said lid for carrying the bathing apparatus.

2. (Currently Amended) The bathing apparatus of claim 1 wherein the container ~~includes~~ further comprises a drain that may be selectively closed by a closure and wherein liquids contained in said container may be drained therefrom by opening said drain.

3. (Currently Amended) The bathing apparatus of ~~either~~ claim 1 ~~or claim 2~~ wherein the container is waterproof and of rigid or ~~at least~~ resilient construction.

4. (Currently Amended) The bathing apparatus of ~~either~~ claim 1 ~~or claim 2~~ wherein the container includes an outer casing and an inner tub or bath.

5. (Original) The bathing apparatus of claim 4 wherein the outer casing includes an end wall hinged thereto for providing access to the interior of the bathing apparatus.

6. (Currently Amended) The bathing apparatus of ~~any one of~~ claim~~[[s]]~~ 1 ~~[[to 5]]~~ wherein the container ~~may be~~ is substantially parallelepiped or box-like in shape.

7. (Currently Amended) The bathing apparatus of ~~any one of~~ claim~~[[s]]~~ 1 ~~[[to 5]]~~ wherein the container ~~may be~~ is substantially pod shaped.

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8. (Currently Amended) The bathing apparatus of ~~any one of claim~~[[s]] 1 [[to 7]] wherein a top or bottom wall of the apparatus includes a generally convex portion and[[/or]] raised side portions and whereby a child may be placed between [[said]] the raised side portions when being changed, said raised side portions inhibiting the child from rolling off the top or bottom wall.

9. (Currently Amended) The bathing apparatus of ~~any one of claim~~[[s]] 1 [[to 8]] wherein a bottom interior surface of the container is contoured to support the child or infant in a reclining position.

10. (Original) The bathing apparatus of claim 9 wherein the child's head is supported such that the child's face is above a side [[walls]] wall of the container.

11. (Currently Amended) The bathing apparatus of ~~any one of claim~~[[s]] 1 [[to 8]] wherein a bottom interior surface of the container is contoured to support the child or infant in a seated position.

12. (Currently Amended) The bathing apparatus of ~~any one of claim~~[[s]] 1 [[to 11]] wherein the lid is attached to the container and is of rigid or at least resilient construction.

13. (Currently Amended) The bathing apparatus of claim 12 wherein the lid is permanently attached to the container, ~~for example~~ by one or more hinges.

14. (Currently Amended) The bathing apparatus of claim 12 wherein the lid is releasably attached to the container, ~~for example~~ by a plurality of snap fitting clips.

15. (Currently Amended) The bathing apparatus of ~~either claim 13 or claim~~ further ~~including~~ comprising locking means for securing the lid in a closed position relative to the container.

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16. (Currently Amended) The bathing apparatus of ~~any one of claim~~[[s]] 1 [[to 15]] wherein the carry means comprises a handle that is attached to either the container or the lid.

17. (Original) The bathing apparatus of claim 16 wherein the handle is integrally formed with the either the container or the lid.

18. (Original) The bathing apparatus of claim 16 wherein the handle is at least partially retractable within the apparatus.

19. (Currently Amended) The bathing apparatus of ~~any one of claim~~[[s]] 1 [[to 18]] wherein the carry means comprises a flexible shoulder strap ~~which a person may place over their shoulder.~~

20. (Currently Amended) The bathing apparatus of ~~any one of claim~~[[s]] 1 [[to 19]] further including comprising ~~rollable transport members, such as wheels or castors, wherein whereby~~ the bathing apparatus may be conveniently wheeled when required to be moved between locations.

21. (Currently Amended) The bathing apparatus of claim 2 wherein the drain comprises an aperture formed in the container, ~~which aperture may be selectively closed by~~ and the closure comprises a suitably shaped plug for said aperture.

22. (Currently Amended) The bathing apparatus of claim [[21]] 2 wherein the aperture includes a connector to facilitate the connection thereto of a hose which ~~itself may include comprising~~ a valve assembly to selectively close the aperture.

23. (Currently Amended) The bathing apparatus of ~~any one of claim~~[[s]] 1 [[to 22]] further including comprising a divider that is locatable between the open topped container and the lid so as to divide the chamber defined by said container and lid when closed.

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24. (Currently Amended) The bathing apparatus of claim 23 wherein the divider ~~may be used to separate wet items stored in the container, from dry items and other requisites that may be stored within the confines of the lid~~ includes a plurality of compartments for storage purposes.

25. (Currently Amended) The bathing apparatus of ~~either claim 23 or claim 24~~ wherein the divider ~~includes a plurality of compartments for storage purposes~~ is adapted to separate wet items stored in the container, from dry items and other requisites stored within the confines of the lid

26. The bathing apparatus of ~~any one of claim~~[[s]] 1 [[to 25]] further ~~include~~ comprising a mattress that is locatable within either the container or the lid, ~~and whereby the~~ bathing apparatus may be used as a portable cot or for changing purposes.

27. (New) The bathing apparatus of claim 14 further comprising locking means for securing the lid in a closed position relative to the container.